## In the Indiana Supreme Court



| IN THE MATTER OF         | )                              |
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| THE APPOINTMENT OF       | )<br>)                         |
| THOMAS G. WRIGHT AS      | ) Case No. 18800-0707- MS- 298 |
| SENIOR JUDGE IN THE      |                                |
| DELAWARE CIRCUIT COURT 3 | )<br>)                         |

## **ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGE**

The presiding judge of the Delaware Circuit Court No.3 has requested the appointment of Senior Judge Thomas G. Wright for service in that court for 2007, pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-1.

This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that the Delaware Circuit Court No. 3 has demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources. We find further that the presiding judge of the Delaware Circuit Court No. 3 would benefit from the appointment of a senior judge to that court. Senior Judge Thomas G. Wright has been certified as a senior judge by the Judicial Nominating Commission for the calendar year 2007 pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court

may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later date in light of weighted caseload statistics and other circumstances, and make adjustments accordingly.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Thomas G. Wright is appointed to serve in the Delaware Circuit Court No. 3 at the discretion of the presiding judge, effective July 27, 2007. This appointment shall remain in effect until December 31, 2007. The requesting trial court shall utilize Judge Wright and other senior judges for no more than the total number of senior judge days allocated to the trial court, and it shall be incumbent upon the presiding judge of the court to ensure that the total number of allocated days is not exceeded. Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-23-3-5, the senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order may not be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the aggregate during the 2007 calendar year.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the Honorable Robert L. Barnet, Jr., Delaware Circuit Court #3, 100 West Washington Street, Muncie, IN 47305-2869, presiding judge of the Delaware Circuit Court No. 3; to the Honorable Thomas G. Wright; to the clerk of the Delaware Circuit Court for entry in the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this 76th day of July, 2007.

Kandall T. Shepard

Achie Chief Justice of Indiana